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My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name. I believe I am the original, first and joint inventor, together with Lutfi Abu-Elheiga and Martin M. Matzuk, of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled, *Acetyl-Coenzyme A Carboxylase 2 as a Target in the Regulation of Fat Burning, Fat Accumulation, Energy Homeostasis and Insulin Action*; the specification of which was filed as U.S. Serial No. 09/929,575 on August 14, 2001 and which claims benefit of priority under 35 U.S.C. 120 of application U.S. Serial No. 09/749,109 filed December 26, 2000.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information I know to be material to patentability in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a), including information which became known to us between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this continuation-in-part patent application.

I hereby appoint the following attorneys and/or agents to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith: Dr. Benjamin Adler, Registration No. 35,423. Address all telephone calls to Dr. Benjamin Adler at telephone number 713/270-5391. Address correspondence to Dr. Benjamin Adler, ADLER & ASSOCIATES, 8011 Candle Lane, Houston, TX 77071.

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